

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

From the site visit 6/705:

1. Can hydrographs be provided to the contractors?

Amendment 2 will include monthly flow duration curves for lock and dam 5, which is based on historical flows.

2. Can the contractor access the site from the west side of the dam?

This will have to be determined by the CO after contract award. If access is permitted, it will be coordinated through the CO.

3. What is the purpose of the Containment paragraph, 1.9.2, of spec. section 09965?

This paragraph will be amended to include the latest guidance on maintaining water quality with respect to lead based materials.

4. Clarify the discrepancy between the drawings and the specifications with respect to quantity and locations of stoplogs to be loaded and brought to the site.

Stoplogs are to be loaded at the Pine Bluff Marine Terminal for transport to the jobsite. This will include the 5 stoplogs to be repainted. A total of 30 stoplogs will be furnished to the contractor. It is possible that some of the stoplogs will already be at the jobsite, but this is subject to change.

5. Explain how to use the chart "WORK STOPPAGES FOR THREE ADJACENT GATES CLOSED".

When any 3 adjacent gates are closed, the chart provides the maximum allowable discharge through the remaining 12 tainter gates. When flows are forecast to exceed the maximum values shown for a given set of closed gates, the CO will provide direction on pulling stoplogs and stopping work. The chart also provides estimated percentages, by month, of the amount of time the given flows are exceeded, based on historical data.

Questions emailed during the solicitation period:

1. Should there be a pay item in the base and alternate bid for the 5lb Anodes that will be install next to the side seals?

The 5 lb. anodes that have been used on some of the other tainter gate rehab projects are not part of the scope on this project.